

ment, and facilities for the manufacture or production of ordnance material, munitions, and equipment at either private or public plants.

Acquisition of lands,  
etc.

SEC. 2. The authority herein granted shall include the authority to acquire lands at such locations as the Secretary of the Navy may deem best suited to the purpose, erect or extend buildings, acquire the necessary machinery and equipment, and in private establishments provide plant-protection installations, and shall be in addition to all authority heretofore granted for these purposes.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Navy from time to time, but not less frequently than every sixty days, shall transmit to the Congress a full report of all acquisitions of land, by lease or otherwise, effected under the authority of this Act.

Approved December 20, 1944.

#### [CHAPTER 628]

#### JOINT RESOLUTION

December 20, 1944  
[S. J. Res. 155]  
[Public Law 523]

To consider a site and design for a National Memorial Stadium to be erected in the District of Columbia.

National Memorial  
Stadium, D. C.  
Establishment of  
commission.

Consideration of  
site.

Plans, etc.  
Financing.

Report to Congress.

Compensation of  
members of commis-  
sion; expenses.

Officers, experts,  
and employees.

Appropriation au-  
thorized.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That there is hereby established a commission to be composed of three Members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, three Members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and three persons to be appointed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia. Such commission is authorized and directed (1) to consider a suitable site for an athletic field and stadium to be constructed in the District of Columbia as a permanent memorial to the men and women who gave their lives while serving as members of the armed forces of the United States during World War I and World War II; (2) to procure such plans and designs and make such surveys and estimates of the cost thereof as it deems advisable; (3) to endeavor particularly to formulate a method of financing the project on a self-liquidating basis; and (4) to make a report to the Congress, together with its recommendations, at the earliest practicable date.

SEC. 2. (a) The members of the commission shall serve without compensation; but travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in connection with the work of the commission may be paid from any funds available for expenditure by the commission.

(b) The commission is authorized, within the limits of appropriations made therefor, to employ and fix the compensation of such officers, experts, and other employees as may be necessary to carry out its functions.

SEC. 3. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, not to exceed \$25,000, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved December 20, 1944.

#### [CHAPTER 631]

#### AN ACT

December 21, 1944  
[H. R. 2969]  
[Public Law 524]

To establish official checking accounts with the Treasurer of the United States for clerks of United States courts and United States marshals.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That section 23 of the Permanent Appropriation Repeal Act, 1934 (48 Stat. 1236; U. S. C., title 31, sec. 725v), approved June 26, 1934, be, and the same is, hereby amended to read as follows: